

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Narumi OHKAWA

Group Art Unit: 2622

Application Number: 10/623,418

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 January 22, 2007

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 20, 2006.

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Species 1 of Figures 1-8. Claims 1, 2, 5, 28, 33 and 36 read on the elected species. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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